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## **Descriptive Summary**

**Title:** Walter W. Dalquest papers

**Identifier/Call Number:** MVZA.MSS.0072

**Contributing Institution:** Museum of Vertebrate Zoology Archives

**Language of Material:** English

**Physical Description:** 0.9 Linear feet

**Date (inclusive):** 1936-1990

**Abstract:** The Walter W. Dalquest papers include bound and unbound field notes and correspondence. These materials offer insight into the work done by Dalquest between 1936-1990.

**Creator:** Dalquest, Walter Woelber , 1917-2000

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### **Preferred citation**

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### **Biographical note**

Walter W. Dalquest (1917-2000) was educated in the fields of biology, geology, and biochemistry. He received a B.S. in 1940 and an M.S. in 1941 from the University of Washington and a PhD from Louisiana State University in 1951. Having established a personal and professional connection with E. Raymond Hall, Dalquest was convinced by Hall to come to Berkeley, where he stayed from 1941-1945, doing curatorial work, fieldwork, and research for the MVZ. He moved on to the University of Kansas at Lawrence in 1945. After receiving his PhD, Dalquest took on a position with the Biology Department of Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls, Texas. He began creating a museum collection there, eventually amassing over 22,000 mammal specimens alone. Over his lifetime, Dalquest published 7 books and 173 research articles. Retiring from full-time duties at Midwestern State in 1984, Dalquest remained active in his personal and professional life until his death. In 1996, Dalquest, along with his second wife Rose, donated a significant amount of land to Midwestern State, creating the Dalquest Research Station. The Station seeks to promote research and education about the Chihuahuan Desert for students and scientists from outside universities.

### **Sources Consulted:**

Correspondence 1942-1990, Walter W. Dalquest papers, MVZA.MSS.0072, Museum of Vertebrate Zoology Archives, University of California, Berkeley.

Horner, Norman. "The Dalquest Research Site." *Chihuahuan Desert Discovery* 54, 2 (2008): 21-28. Accessed June 30, 2014. <http://cdri.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/05/Dalquest-Research-Site-2008.pdf>

Horner, Norman V., and Stangl Jr., Frederick B. "Walter Woelber Dalquest: 1917-2000." *Journal of Mammalogy* 82, 2 (2001): 604-612. Accessed June 30, 2014. <http://www.jstor.org/stable/1383740>

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### **Scope and contents note**

The Walter W. Dalquest papers include four standard-bound volumes of fieldnotes, including specimen and habitat sketches and numerous photographs. These volumes cover the years 1936-1945 and detail localities in Arizona, California, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington. There is also one folder of unbound fieldnotes dating from 1945 with all locations within the state of California. In addition, there are three folders of correspondence that date from 1938-1990.

### **Arrangement note**

The collection has been arranged in the following series: Field notes (bound), Field notes (unbound), and Correspondence. There are no subseries.

### **Subjects and Indexing Terms**

Biological specimens--Collection and preservation.

Biological specimens--Identification

Biology Fieldwork

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Cataloging--Specimens.  
Correspondence  
Field notes  
Mammalogy--Fieldwork.  
Scientific expeditions--Arizona  
Scientific expeditions--California  
Scientific expeditions--Nevada  
Scientific expeditions--Oregon  
Scientific expeditions--Washington  
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**Field notes 1936-1945**

**Language of Material:** English

**Physical Description:** 4.0 Volumes

Volume 1

**Volume 1 564 1936-1941**

**Language of Material:** English

**Physical Description:** 243.0 Pages

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Volume 1,  
Section 1

**Catalog: Washington 564\_s1 1936-1941****Physical Description:** 125.0 Pages**Related archival materials**

Specimens in this section were collected between 5/9/1936 and 6/22/1941. These specimens can be found in [Arctos](#), the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology's specimen database.

**Scope and contents note**

Holotype of *Thomomys talpoides immunis* listed on p. [26]. See [MVZ Mammals 84519](#). Holotype of *Thomomys talpoides devexus* listed on p. [44]. See [MVZ Mammals 84517](#). Holotype of *Thomomys talpoides yakimensis* listed on p. [65]. See [MVZ Mammals 84518](#).

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

North America, United States, California, Alameda County  
North America, United States, California, Butte County  
North America, United States, California, Contra Costa County  
North America, United States, Oregon, Multnomah County  
North America, United States, Washington, Chelan County  
North America, United States, Washington, Clallam County  
North America, United States, Washington, Clark County  
North America, United States, Washington, Columbia County  
North America, United States, Washington, Douglas County  
North America, United States, Washington, Ferry County  
North America, United States, Washington, Grant County  
North America, United States, Washington, Jefferson County  
North America, United States, Washington, King County  
North America, United States, Washington, Kittitas County  
North America, United States, Washington, Klickitat County  
North America, United States, Washington, Mason County  
North America, United States, Washington, Okanogan County  
North America, United States, Washington, Pacific County  
North America, United States, Washington, Pend Oreille County  
North America, United States, Washington, Pierce County  
North America, United States, Washington, San Juan County  
North America, United States, Washington, Stevens County  
North America, United States, Washington, Thurston County  
North America, United States, Washington, Wahkiakum County  
North America, United States, Washington, Walla Walla County  
North America, United States, Washington, Whatcom County  
North America, United States, Washington, Yakima County

Volume 1,  
Section 2

**View digitized field notes.** **Journal: Friday Harbor, Washington 564\_s2 1938****Physical Description:** 3.0 Pages**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

North America, United States, Washington, San Juan County  
Washington, San Juan County, San Juan Islands, Brown's Island

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Volume 1,  
Section 3

**California, Nevada: Catalog, Journal, Species Accounts 564\_s3 1941**

**Physical Description:** 79.0 Pages

**Related archival materials**

Specimens collected in this section include accessions #6495, #6595, and #7306. These specimens can be found in [Arctos](#), the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology's specimen database.

**Scope and contents note**

Photographs [MVZ 12494](#) and [MVZ 12495](#) glued to p. [18]. Photographs [MVZ 12496](#) and [MVZ 12497](#) glued to p. [20]. Photographs [MVZ 12498](#) and [MVZ 12499](#) glued to p. [22]. Photograph [MVZ 12500](#) glued to p. [23]. Photograph [MVZ 12501](#) glued to p. [24]. Photograph [MVZ 12502](#) glued to p. [25]. Photograph [MVZ 12503](#) glued to p. [26]. Photograph [MVZ 12504](#) glued to p. [27]. Photograph [MVZ 12505](#) glued to p. [29]. Photograph [MVZ 12506](#) glued to p. [36]. Photographs include field sites, camp sites, and field trip participants.

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North America, United States, California, Lassen County  
North America, United States, California, Plumas County  
North America, United States, California, Shasta County  
North America, United States, Nevada, Clark County  
North America, United States, Nevada, Esmeralda County  
North America, United States, Nevada, Humboldt County  
North America, United States, Nevada, Mineral County  
North America, United States, Nevada, Nye County  
North America, United States, Nevada, Storey County  
North America, United States, Nevada, Washoe County

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Section 4

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**Miscellaneous; local, California, Washington: Catalog, Journal 564\_s4 1941**

**Physical Description:** 26.0 Pages

**Related archival materials**

Specimens collected in this section include accession #7306. These specimens can be found in [Arctos](#), the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology's specimen database.

**Scope and contents note**

Six pages of folded Deer Kill Check forms between pp. [5-6]. Folded map, MVZ 13191, attached between pp. [5-6]. Folded map, MVZ 13192, attached between pp. [13-14].

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

North America, United States, California, Alameda County

Volume 2

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**Volume 2 572 1941-1945**

**Language of Material:** English

**Physical Description:** 322.0 Pages

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Section 1

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**Mammals 572\_s1 1941-1945**

**Physical Description:** 136.0 Pages

**Scope and contents note**

Photograph [MVZ 12507](#) taped to p. [12]. Photograph [MVZ 12508](#) taped to p. [15].  
Photograph [MVZ 12509](#) taped to p. [23]. Photograph [MVZ 12510](#) glued to p. [52].  
Photograph [MVZ 12511](#) glued to p. [53]. Photograph [MVZ 12512](#) glued to p. [54].  
Photograph [MVZ 12513](#) taped to p. [59]. Photograph [MVZ 12514](#) taped to p. [69].  
Photograph [MVZ 12515](#) glued to p. [91]. Photograph [MVZ 12516](#) taped to p. [97].  
Photographs include collecting sites, habitats, and specimens.

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

North America, United States, Arizona, Mohave County  
North America, United States, California, Alameda County  
North America, United States, California, Contra Costa County  
North America, United States, California, Del Norte County  
North America, United States, California, Fresno County  
North America, United States, California, Kern County  
North America, United States, California, Lassen County  
North America, United States, California, Marin County  
North America, United States, California, Monterey County  
North America, United States, California, Plumas County  
North America, United States, California, San Benito County  
North America, United States, California, San Joaquin County  
North America, United States, California, Shasta County  
North America, United States, California, Sonoma County  
North America, United States, Nevada, Humboldt County  
North America, United States, Nevada, Lyon County  
North America, United States, Nevada, Storey County  
North America, United States, Nevada, Washoe County  
North America, United States, Washington, King County  
North America, United States, Washington, Pierce County  
North America, United States, Washington, Thurston County

Volume 2,  
Section 2

**Birds 572\_s2 1941-1943**

**Physical Description:** 21.0 Pages

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

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North America, United States, California, Contra Costa County  
North America, United States, Nevada, Washoe County

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Section 3

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Photograph [MVZ 12521](#) taped to p. [22]. Photograph [MVZ 12522](#) taped to p. [25].  
Photograph [MVZ 12523](#) taped to p. [32]. Photograph [MVZ 12524](#) taped to p. [35].  
Photograph [MVZ 12525](#) taped to p. [42]. Photograph [MVZ 12526](#) taped to p. [56].  
Photograph [MVZ 12527](#) taped to p. [58]. Photograph [MVZ 12528](#) taped to p. [72].  
Photograph [MVZ 12529](#) taped to p. [80]. Photograph [MVZ 12530](#) taped to p. [84].  
Photograph [MVZ 12531](#) taped to p. [85]. Photograph [MVZ 12532](#) taped to p. [97].  
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Photographs include habitats and specimens.

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

North America, United States, Arizona, Mohave County  
North America, United States, California, Alameda County  
North America, United States, California, Contra Costa County  
North America, United States, California, Fresno County  
North America, United States, California, Kern County  
North America, United States, California, Lassen County  
North America, United States, California, Marin County  
North America, United States, California, Monterey County  
North America, United States, California, San Bernardino County  
North America, United States, California, San Joaquin County  
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Section 4

**Amphibians 572\_s4 1942-1945****Physical Description:** 57.0 Pages**Scope and contents note**

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Photograph [MVZ 12541](#) taped to p. [42]. Photographs include habitats.

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

North America, United States, Arizona, Mohave County  
North America, United States, California, Alameda County  
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Volume 3,  
Section 1

**Species Accounts, Mammals; Miscellaneous: California, Nevada, Arizona 575\_s1  
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**Scope and contents note**

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**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

North America, United States, Arizona, Mohave County  
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North America, United States, Nevada, Washoe County

Volume 4

**Volume 4 568 1942-1945**

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**Physical Description:** 247.0 Pages



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Volume 4,  
Section 1

**Miscellaneous, Washington, and California: Catalog, Journal 568\_s1 1942-1943**

**Physical Description:** 106.0 Pages

**Related archival materials**

Specimens in this section were collected between 1/1/1942 and 5/7/1943. These specimens can be found in [Arctos](#), the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology's specimen database.

**Scope and contents note**

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**Journal: Arizona 568\_s2 1943**

**Physical Description:** 15.0 Pages

**Scope and contents note**

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**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

North America, United States, Arizona, Mohave County  
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**Journal: California, local and miscellaneous 568\_s3 1943-1944****Physical Description:** 46.0 Pages**Scope and contents note**

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**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

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North America, United States, California, Marin County  
North America, United States, California, San Joaquin County  
North America, United States, California, Sonoma County

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**Journal: Nevada 568\_s4 1944****Physical Description:** 33.0 Pages**Scope and contents note**

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**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

North America, United States, Nevada, Washoe County

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**Journal: California, local and miscellaneous 568\_s5 1944-1945****Physical Description:** 40.0 Pages**Scope and contents note**

Photographs [MVZ 13170](#) and [MVZ 13171](#) taped to p. [3]. Photographs [MVZ 13172](#) and [MVZ 13173](#) taped to p. [4]. Photographs [MVZ 13174](#) and [MVZ 13175](#) taped to p. [6]. Photographs [MVZ 13176](#) , [MVZ 13177](#) , and [MVZ 13178](#) taped to p. [7]. Photograph [MVZ 13179](#) taped to p. [9]. Photographs [MVZ 13180](#) and [MVZ 13181](#) taped to p. [11]. Photographs include buildings/structures, habitats, landscapes, and trees.

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

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North America, United States, California, Contra Costa County  
North America, United States, California, Del Norte County  
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**Correspondence 1938-1990**

**Language of Material:** English

**Physical Description:** 3.0 Folder

**Correspondence 1938-1939**

**Physical Description:** 1.0 Folder

**Correspondence 1940-1941**

**Physical Description:** 1.0 Folder

**Correspondence 1942-1990**

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